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INITIAL SCAN BY NPIC OF MISSION [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REVEALS A TRACKED VEHICLE DRIVER-

TRAINING AREA APPROXIMATELY 20 NM ESE OF SAM NEUA, LAOS, ON ROUTE 65 AT 20 19N-104 24E (UTM VH378477). THE AREA CONSISTS OF TWO OVAL-SHAPED TRACK PATTERNS APPROXIMATELY 400 FEET AND 550 FEET IN LENGTH. A 0.2 NM ACCESS ROAD CONNECTS IT WITH ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH377473. TRACK THROW-OUT (SPOILAGE) AND PROBABLE ALIGNMENT MARKERS, TYPICAL OF TRACKED VEHICLE DRIVER-TRAINING AREAS, ARE OBSERVED. TRACKAGE IN THE AREA HAS INCREASED WITHIN A 14 DAY PERIOD (REF A). THE AREA ALSO HAS A FIGURE-EIGHT SHAPED DRIVING TRACK APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET IN LENGTH IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH381472; HOWEVER, THIS IS PROBABLY USED FOR WHEELED VEHICLES ONLY. EVIDENCE OF BULLDOZING ACTIVITY IS OBSERVED AT UTMS VH376479 AND VH377474 AND IN A GRAVEL PIT IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF ROUTE 65 AT UTM VH380471.

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HOWEVER, IT IS IMPROBABLE THAT THE TRACKED VEHICLE DRIVER-
TRAINING AREA WOULD BE USED FOR TRAINING BULLDOZER OPERATORS.
LUGGED VEHICLE TRACKS WERE EVIDENT ON PHOTOGRAPHY [REDACTED]
1966 (REF B) ON A 1.2 NM SECTION OF ROUTE 65 BETWEEN 20 19N-
104 25E (UTM VH392471) AND 20 19N-104 26E (UTM VH417466). (BB)

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